NEW BERRIMA CLAY/SHALE QUARRY

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE Meeting No. 5

Notes of Meeting held on Wednesday 7 March 2018 at Bowral Brick Plant – Board Room

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

Independent Chairperson Don Elder declared the meeting open at 5:00pm.

2. ATTENDEES PRESENT

Don Elder	Independent Chairperson
Cassandra Steppacher	Company Representative
Peter Young-Whitford	Company Representative
Allan Jamba	Company Representative
Peter Malloy	Council Representative

3. APOLOGIES

Nil

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

• Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

• The minutes of the meeting held on 26 July 2017 were confirmed.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

• 2 x Show Cause received and response approved with no penalty

7. COMPANY REPORTS AND OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES:

7.1 Reporting and Compliance

The 2017 Annual Review was submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment and Division of Resources and Geoscience on 28 February. Copies of the 2017 Annual Review have also been distributed to the relevant government agencies.

Copies of these reports and correspondence are available on the Austral website.

7.2 Community Complaints and Issues

• No community complaints or other community issues have arisen to date.

7.3 Environmental Monitoring

Please refer to the Annual Review for a full overview. In summary:

Aboriginal Heritage

• An isolated stone artefact was located during monitoring by the Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) within an area stripped of topsoil.

Air Quality

• Air quality monitoring has generally recorded low deposited dust levels, albeit with monthly fluctuations. The annual average monthly levels remained below the relevant criteria.

Water Quality Monitoring

• Water monitoring occurred monthly from May 2017 at the nominated locations.

7.4 Other Activities Since the Previous CCC Meeting

• Other activities undertaken included the replacement of the bridge overlay across Stony Creek. This involved the removal of the timber from the existing bridge before the metal trusses were lifted off and onto a flatbed truck using a small crane. The new steel bridge span was then lifted onto the existing abutments and concrete pumped onto the span to form the concrete deck and approaches.

7.5 Planned Site Activities During 2018

- Land preparation and site establishment activities, upgrade of site intersection, including construction / upgrade of the water management structures and construction of the visibility barriers is expected to occur during the 2nd and 3rd quarter of 2018. Whilst it was previously intended that extraction operations would not commence for a number of years, due to changes to product mix and availability of resources from other sources, it is planned that extraction operations will also commence in the 4th quarter of 2018.
- Seed harvesting and planting of trees and shrubs as part of the visibility and vegetation barriers will also be undertaken. Discussions will be held with surrounding landholders in relation to harvesting seed if adequate seed stock is not available from the nursery or the Mandurama property.

7.6 Other Activities and Planning Matters

- A Mining Operations Plan will be prepared in early 2018 (prior to commencement of construction) in accordance with the Mining Lease.
- Broader planning is also underway for the Austral operations in the region. Consideration is currently being given to establishing an Austral Masonry plant on Chesley Park, which is zoned industrial and adjacent to the Boral Cement Works.
- A development application is to be prepared and lodged in the near future. Consideration is also being given to the potential for the Bowral Brick Plant to be relocated to this industrial site at Chesley Park.
- An Exploration Licence Application has been submitted for areas surrounding the Quarry. This is to provide for investigation in additional raw materials and around the potential to relocate the Bowral Brick Plant to Chesley Park. Consideration of these matters remains ongoing and a further update will be provided at the next meeting.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a) The Chairperson's Annual report was presented to the meeting. A copy is attached to these Minutes.
- b) The Company reported:
 - Capitals being put up and bund walls to start asap
 - Mod 3 application (upgrades to intersection)
 - 2 lanes / sealed to quarry entrance
 - Spray grass on central bund completed on the 28th of Feb 2018
- c) Concern was expressed as to the low number of Community Members on the CCC. The Company will advertise seeking new members and CCC members will make individual approaches to possible candidates.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 22 August 2018, to be held at the Bowral Brick Plant at 5:00pm.

The meeting closed at 5.35pm.

Confirmed

Chairperson